



CITY OF CONCORD

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Matthew R. Walsh, Director of Redevelopment, Downtown Services, & Special Projects

DATE: July 21, 2016

SUBJECT: South Commercial & Constitution Avenue: No Stopping, Standing, or Parking

Recommendation:

- Accept the following report; and,
- Set the attached ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances; Title II, Traffic Code; Chapter 18, Parking, Article 18-1, Stopping, Standing and Parking, Section 18-1-6, Parking Prohibited At All Times In Designated Places, Schedule Ia (No Parking, Stopping, or Standing at All Times) for public hearing on September 12, 2016.

Background:

The Friendly Kitchen is located at 2 South Commercial Street. The Friendly Kitchen has a policy which prohibits clients from parking or loitering on their property when meals are not being served. Over the past several months, issues have arisen with their clients parking and loitering along sections of South Commercial Street during hours when the kitchen is closed. The Friendly Kitchen has expressed concern with this circumstance as certain parkers have been engaging in inappropriate activities.

After discussions with the Friendly Kitchen, the City Administration recommended that stopping, standing, and parking be eliminated along sections of South Commercial Street. There are no other users in the area which rely upon this parking.

Discussion:

The Parking Committee met on June 27, 2016 to consider the City Administration's recommendation.

Upon review, the Parking Committee voted to recommend the following:

- 1) To prohibit stopping, standing, and parking on South Commercial Street, between the Friendly Kitchen and I-393, but excluding the area immediately adjacent to an existing bus stop. Non-bus parking is prohibited at bus stops by Title II, Section 18-1-9 of the City's Code of Ordinances. The bus stop was established on March 11, 2013.
- 2) To prohibit stopping, standing, and parking on Constitution Avenue, between the Friendly Kitchen and the I-393 ramp to Stickney Avenue / I-93 South.

Please see the attached graphic for more information.

Proposed No Stopping, Standing, or Parking Area

